[Mr. A. Hoogwerf.]

MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): I want to know whether the law has been amended. I wish to know whether that Section of the law does not entitle a Petty Officer drawing Rs. 20 and above to search houses in the absence of an amendment of the Regulation.

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Petty Officers have to be empowered under the Regulation.

MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): Can any notification override any departmental circular or the section of a regulation without its being amended in this Council.

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): No.

Audit and Appropriation Report.

122. MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether an annual Audit and Appropriation Report is being prepared in the Financial Secretariat, and if so, from what year?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to order:

(i) the reports for the years 1096 and 1097 being published in the Gazette at once and further reports being so published regularly as soon as they are prepared; and

(ii) copies of the same being supplied to the members of the Legislative Council?

(*c*) If no such report has been prepared till now, will the Government be pleased to order its preparation every year in future and its publication in the Gazette?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Financial Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A report called the Audit and Appropriation Report was prepared by the Account Officer in 1097, on the accounts of the year 1096 and was issued to Heads of Departments. Government having recently ordered the preparation of two reports, one called the Audit Report and the other the Appropriation Report, two separate reports have been prepared by the Account Officer on the accounts of 1097. The Appropriation Report has been printed. The Audit Report is in the Press.

(*b*) and (*c*) Government do not deem it necessary to publish the reports in the Gazette. Copies of the Appropriation Report relating to the accounts from 1097 have been supplied to the members of the Council.

College Admissions.

123. MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of applicants during the current academic year, to each of the groups in the Intermediate and B. A. classes;

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(*b*) the number admitted into each group before the orders of Government regarding admission were issued;

(*c*) the number admitted into each group after the above orders;

(*d*) the number of applications rejected and the grounds therefor; and

(*e*) the total number now in each group in the Intermediate and B. A. classes, the figures for the Junior and Senior classes being given separately?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): A statement* giving the information required by the member is laid on the table.

Debentures issued by the South Indian Railway Company and the Agreement between Government and the Secretary of State for India.

124. MR. N. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*):

(1) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the present value, in the English market, of the several debentures issued by the South Indian Railway Company on account of the Shencottah-Quilon railway; and

(*b*) the dates on which these loans fell due?

(2) Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a copy of the agreement between the Travancore Government and the Rt. Hon'ble the Secretary of State for India in the matter?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Financial Secretary to Government*):

(1) (*a*) The Government have no information.

(*b*) The loans now in force, the dates on which each fell due last, and particulars regarding renewal are given below:—

Loans.	Date on which loans fell due.	Particulars regarding renewal.
(i) £ 29,517 at 6½ per cent.	3-1-1923	Renewed for 3 years at 4½ per cent.
(ii) £ 49,149 at 6½ per cent.	3-7-1922	Renewed for 2 years at 4½ per cent.
(iii) £ 2,87,125 at 4½ per cent.	15-8-1921	Renewed for 2 years at 6 per cent.

It may be stated that these loans are not separate issues made specifically for the Quilon-Shencottah Railway, but form part of the debentures issued by the South Indian Railway Company aggregating to £ 15,10,000 for the construction of the entire Travancore line, and not

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Appendix III.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 130.**

Caste-wise statement of admissions into H. H. the Maha Raja's College in 1923.

Class and Group	Applied.								Selected for admission.								Joined.							
	Brahmins.	Nairs.	Christians.	Ezhavas.	Mahomedans.	Others.	Total.		Brahmins.	Nairs.	Christians.	Ezhavas.	Mahomedans.	Others.	Total.		Brahmins.	Nairs.	Christians.	Ezhavas.	Mahomedans.	Others.	Total.	
Class I Group I	70	53	26	13	6	9	177		30	38	16	4	6	7	121		44	20	12	4	4	5	89	
II	21	39	26	6	3	6	154		6	21	24	5	6	1	59		5	21	13	4	3	1	47	
IIIA	22	26	16	21	6	1	74		16	26	13	21	1	3	80		14	23	11	21	1	1	71	
IIIB	2	19	1	10	1	1	36		1	12	2	6	1	3	25		1	11	1	6	1	1	21	
IIIC	2	17	1	6	...	1	27		10	41	1	4	...	3	64	1	...	21	1	3	...	...	25	1
Class II Group I	...	2	2	...	...	...	4		...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
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IIIB	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
IIIC	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Class III Group I	29	6	11	2	...	2	50		24	6	9	2	...	2	43		11	2	9	1	...	1	24	
IIA	26	8	8	3	1	1	46		16	1	9	2	1	1	32		12	1	1	2	1	...	17	
IIB	61	32	27	5	2	4	127		29	17	18	2	2	6	66		23	12	12	1	...	1	49	
V	19	40	15	1	...	3	114		18	33	12	1	2	3	103		13	18	2	6	1	2	62	
VIA	2	11	1	1	...	...	15		2	13	4	1	...	2	17		2	10	1	1	...	...	13	
VIC	...	20	2	2	...	...	25		...	20	2	2	...	3	27		...	21	1	2	...	...	27	
Class IV Group I	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
IIA	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
IIB	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
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